

**PRESS RELEASE**  
**IOWA BOARD OF MEDICINE**  
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Recently, the Iowa Board of Medicine took the following action:

**Patrick M. Adams, M.D.**, a 43 year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced internal medicine in Lincoln, Nebraska, had formal disciplinary charges filed against him by the Iowa Board. On September 15, 2005, Dr. Adams voluntarily surrendered his Nebraska medical license due to substance abuse. On July 10, 2007, the Board charged Dr. Adams with being disciplined by the Nebraska Medical Board and for engaging in substance abuse which impaired his ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety. A hearing has been scheduled on October 1, 2008.

**Gary L. Berg, M.D.**, a 62 year-old Iowa-licensed anesthesiologist who formerly practiced in Tucson, Arizona, voluntarily surrendered his Iowa medical license to resolve a pending disciplinary matter. On May 16, 2007, Dr. Berg entered into a formal non-disciplinary Consent Agreement with the Arizona Medical Board in which he agreed not to practice medicine under his Arizona medical license due to a medical condition that may limit his ability to safely engage in the practice of medicine. On July 10, 2008, Dr. Berg entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement and he voluntarily surrendered his Iowa medical license.

**Joseph E. Bergstrom, D.O.**, a 39 year-old physician who serves as the director of a family practice resident training program in Bettendorf, Iowa, entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board. Under the terms of the July 10, 2008, Order, the Board charged Dr. Bergstrom with inappropriately permitting a resident to participate in the resident training program without an Iowa medical license. The Board issued Dr. Bergstrom a public reprimand and ordered him to pay a \$2,500 fine for violating the laws and rules governing the practice of medicine in Iowa.

**Valarie L. Campbell, M.D.**, a 47 year-old pathologist who formerly practiced in Grinnell, Iowa, had formal disciplinary charges filed against her by the Board. On February 28, 2007, Dr. Campbell entered into a Physician Health Contract with the Iowa Physician Health Program for substance abuse monitoring due to alcohol abuse. Dr. Campbell agreed to fully comply with the requirements of the IPHP Physician Health Contract. On July 10, 2008, the Board charged Dr. Campbell with violating the terms of her IPHP Physician Health Contract when she repeatedly used Lorazepam, an abusable drug, without IPHP approval. A hearing has been scheduled on August 21, 2008.

**Mark J. Dearden, D.O.**, a 43 year-old family physician who practices in Vinton, Iowa, entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board. Under the terms of the July 10, 2008, Order, the Board charged Dr. Dearden with engaging in unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine when he made inappropriate comments in the presence of female co-workers and a patient. At the direction of the Board, Dr. Dearden completed a Board-approved professional boundaries evaluation and he agreed to complete professional boundary training and counseling. The Board also issued Dr. Dearden a public reprimand and ordered him to pay a \$2,500 fine.

**Michael S. McCleary, M.D.**, a 38 year-old physician who practices internal medicine in Des Moines, Iowa, had formal disciplinary charges filed against him by the Board. On October 12, 2007, Dr. McCleary entered into a Physician Health Contract with the IPHP after he tested positive for marijuana as part of an employer drug screening program. Dr. McCleary was also diagnosed with a mental health condition which may impair his ability to practice medicine in a safe manner. Dr. McCleary agreed to fully comply with the terms of the IPHP Physician Health Contract. On July 10, 2008, the Board charged Dr. McCleary with violating the terms of his IPHP Physician Health Contract when he repeatedly used Ultram, an abusable drug, without IPHP approval. A hearing has been scheduled on August 21, 2008.

**Dennis G. Miller, D.O.**, a 57 year-old family physician from Wellman, Iowa, entered into a Settlement Agreement with the Board to resolve pending disciplinary charges. On December 12, 2007, the Board charged Dr. Miller with substance abuse, improper prescribing, sexual misconduct, violating appropriate physician-patient professional boundaries and failure to appropriately respond to a young female who suffered a drug overdose. On July 10, 2008, Dr. Miller entered into a Settlement Agreement with the Board and his Iowa medical license was indefinitely suspended.